

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
December 3, 2019

Notice of the meeting was given by posting and publishing in The Crete News, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and City Council. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open Meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska in the back of the Council Chambers. Additional copies are available to read. The City may consider items listed on the agenda in random order. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

1. Open Meeting

The City Council has posted a copy of the Open Meetings Act in the back of the council chambers and has additional copies available to read. If anyone wishes one during this meeting, please advise. The City Council also has assisted listening devices available. If needed, please advise.

The City Council may consider items listed on the agenda in random order. If there are any questions concerning an agenda item, please advise as the item is being considered.

Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Dave Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Attendance of Council members will be recorded to determine the presence of a quorum for official actions.

Brian Carnes: Present
Kyle Frans: Present
Ryan Hinz: Present
Jack Oelschlager: Present
Travis Sears: Present
Dale Strehle: Present

Present: 6.

3. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concern

No action can be taken by the council on matters presented under this title except to answer any question posed and/or to refer the matter for further action. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per person. Please do not repeat testimony that has already be heard.

4. Special Order of Business

The council may take action to hear testimony in favor of or in opposition to, discuss/limit discussion and take action to approve or disapprove any matter presented under this title.

4.A. Special Presentation: Crete Youth in Governance's Recognition of Emergency Responders
Leanne Manning with UNL Nebraska Extension will be present.

Leanne Manning and several Crete Youth in Governance members were present and recognized a number of city employees and volunteer emergency responders for their service during the Spring flooding.

4.B. Consider approving the final drawdown request to NDED for DTR funds.

Approve NDED DTR drawdown request #8 totaling \$66,135.21. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Jack Oelschlager.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.C. Consider authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Saline County Rural Fire Protection District Agreement.

Authorize the Mayor to enter into the Saline County Rural Fire Protection District agreement. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.D. Consider confirming the Mayor's appointment of Lizeth Umana to the Economic Development Advisory Board.

Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Lizeth Umana to the Economic Development Advisory Board. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.E. Consider modifying the Transfer Station hours over the Christmas and New Years holidays.

Approve the closing of the Transfer Station on Tuesday December 24 and Tuesday December 31, 2019 for the holidays. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.F. Discuss the information given by Verizon Corporate regarding 5G service in Crete.

Mayor Bauer and Tom Ourada reported that area Verizon Communications staff and/or representatives have informed some Crete residents that the Crete City Council has voted against Verizon offering 5G service in Crete. This is incorrect information. The City Council has never voted on this matter, and in fact, this subject has never been an agenda item on any City Council meeting. Mr. Ourada spoke with Verizon staff, who agreed to discontinue

5. Resolutions & Ordinances

The Council may take action to hear testimony in favor of or opposition to, discuss/limit discussion and take action to approve or disapprove any matter presented under this title. The Council may take action to waive the statutory rule requiring reading on three separate dates on any ordinance being considered. The Council may take action to pass and approve any matter presented under this title.

6. Officers' Reports

Reports may be given by Department Heads, Committees and Council members concerning current operations of the City. Questions may be asked and answered. No action can be taken by the Council on matters presented under this title except to answer any question posed and to refer the matter for further action.

Fire Chief Tod Allen reported that the new ambulance may be here on December 9th. Tom Ourada reported that the City was awarded its second NEMA flood mitigation project. He also reported on recent meetings with the Crete Chamber, a nearby village hall being hit with ransomware and Crete's efforts to avoid internet criminal activity, potential plans to renovate city hall, hiring, and several upcoming agenda items.

7. Consent Agenda

Council will consider approval of the following items. Explanation may occur for each item and the council may approve and or amend and approve the items listed.

Approve the Consent Agenda items. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.
Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle:
Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

7.A. City Council Meeting Minutes

7.A.1. City Council Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019

7.B. City Council Committee Meeting Minutes

7.B.1. Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019

7.B.2. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019

7.C. City Treasurer's Report

7.D. Claims Against the City

8. Adjournment

The city council will review the above matters and take such actions as they deem appropriate. The city council may enter into closed session to discuss any matter on this agenda when it is determined by the council that it is clearly necessary for protection of the public interest or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if such and individual has not requested a public meeting, or as otherwise allowed by law. Any closed session shall be limited to the subject matter for which the closed session was called. If the motion to close passes, then the presiding officer immediately prior to the closed session shall restate on the record the limitation of the subject matter of the closed session. The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To report discrimination, contact the City Clerk's office. The complete agenda with attachments is available at www.crete.ne.gov.

Motion to adjourn. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Jack Oelschlager.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm.

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk

I, Judi Meyer, City Clerk for the City of Crete, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Council Chambers. I certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the City Council. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the City Council were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

City Clerk

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